

COMMUNITY NEWS

Elba Chamber of Commerce presents
Businesses of the Month for June
Cook Chevrolet/Cook Ford

In 1967, General Motors approved Drexel Cook as a Chevrolet dealer, and Mr. Cook opened Cook Chevrolet in Elba at that time.

Prior to Cook Chevrolet opening, Elba had been without a franchised car dealer for many years.

In 1983, Jimmy Cook was approved as a Chevrolet dealer, and he bought Cook Chevrolet from his father at that time. Later in 1997, after having been approved as a dealer by Ford Motor Company, Jimmy purchased the Ford dealership in Elba and has since operated both franchises.

The two dealerships combined employ a work force of approximately 30 people and have annual gross sales of 20 to 25 million dollars.

Cook Chevrolet/Cook Ford is proud to derive the majority of its customer base from repeat customers in third and fourth generations of Cook Chevrolet/Ford customers now buying automobiles.

The service department has perennially been one of the best in the industry and this is a tremendous factor in the establishment of customer loyalty - something that has been important since Mr. Cook originally opened.

Cook Chevrolet/Cook Ford is also proud of its tradition of supporting local and surrounding schools and civic organizations.

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JIMMY COOK (shown above) purchased Cook Chevrolet from his father, Drexel Cook, in 1983. Jimmy purchased the Ford dealership in 1997 and has since operated both franchises.

The National Security Group announces share results
Results for the three months ended March 31, 2005 and 2004, States of America, were reported today as follows:

	Three Months Ended March 31, 2004	2005
Premium Income	\$13,664,000	\$13,795,000
Investment Income	1,091,000	1,051,000
Realized Investment Gains	198,000	387,000
Rev. from Leasing Operation	602,000	374,000
Other Income	360,000	345,000
Total Revenues	\$15,915,000	\$15,924,000
Net Income	\$ 1,292,000	\$ 1,053,000
Net Income Per Share	\$.052	\$.043

The company is also very

Elba Public Library offers variety of new books for reading

LARGE PRINT FICTION
Churchill, Jill The Glass Menagerie
Colley, Barbara Polished Off
Hunter, Madeline The Saint
Graves, Sarah Tool & Die
Ferris, Monica Hanging By A Thread
Graves, Sarah Unhinged
MacPherson, Rett In Sheep's Clothing
Maxwell, Cathy Married In Haste
Neely Barbara Blanche On The Farm
Page, Katherine H. The Body In The Attic
Thomas, Jodi When A Texan Gambles
FICTION
Allende, Isabel Zorro
Connolly, Michael The Closer
Cook, Robin Marker
Dailey, Jane Lone Calder Star
TAPE
McEwan, Ian Saturday
Pelecanos, George Drama City
Ross, Ann B. Miss Julia's School Of Beauty
ABRIDGED BOOKS ON CD
Cohen, Harlan The Innocent
Clark, Mary Higgins No Place Like Home
Peretti, Frank Monster
Wells, Rebecca Ya-Ya's In
UNABRIDGED BOOKS ON TAPE
Mills, Diana Kaleidoscope
Pearl, Jayne Shadow Bride
NONFICTION BOOKS
Camp Rucker During WWII
Joey Green's Gardening Magic
100 Best Appetizer Recipes
Gibson, E. L. I Remember When...
Metcalfe, Gayden Being Dead Is No Excuse

Pioneer Telephone Services completes merger with AlaWeb

Pioneer Telephone Services, Inc., a local telecommunications service company formed in 1984, signed merger agreements with Andalusia-based AlaWeb, Inc. on May 27th, 2005. AlaWeb, the oldest and largest Internet Service Provider in South Alabama, began its operations in 1996, partnering with Covington Rural Services, a subsidiary of Covington Electric Cooperative of Andalusia, the same year.

The new company will do business as AlaWeb Pioneer Services and will continue to provide the same level of service that each of their customers have come to expect. The company will serve South Alabama, S. W. Georgia, and N.W. Florida with a lineup of combined services to include its Flagship Dial-up and Wireless Broadband services, Business & Residential Telephone & Networking services, Security & Surveillance Systems - Installation & Monitoring, and Home Theater Design & Installation.

The company will also

be the area's premier DirecTV Service, covering the same geographical footprint as with other services, with Installation, Programming, Customer Service, and Billing for DirecTV's award-winning Digital Television.

States, "Technology has advanced to the point that, along with the impact of this merger, we can now reach virtually every rural consumer in the area with services previously only available in larger, suburban areas - services like WildBlue, HDTV, and more.

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Timi Jackson selected to attend leadership conference

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Elba's Stephanie Baxley receives "Player of the Year" honor

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During called County Board of Education meeting

Numerous personnel recommendations approved

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education met Thursday, June 16, at Noxubee for a called meeting with the main focus being personnel matters.

Superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram presented board members with several personnel recommendations for approval.

The board approved all recommendations made by the superintendent, and she said there still

are other positions open for employment.

Ingram said the system currently is looking to employ the positions of band director at New Brockton, head basketball and softball coach at New Brockton Elementary School to preschool through sixth grade special education teacher at New Brockton Elementary School.

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Linda Hodge from her position as fourth grade teacher at Kinston School to fourth grade self-contained teacher at Kinston School;

• Employ Jenele H. Smith as business education teacher at Kinston School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Kristen Mayberry from her position as sixth grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School to preschool through sixth grade special education teacher at New Brockton Elementary School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Natasha McWaters from her position as second grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School to first grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Judy Moody from her position as fourth, fifth and sixth grade departmentalized teacher at Kinston School to fifth grade self-contained teacher at Kinston School;

• Employ Laura Clark as a fourth grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School;

• Employ Kim Smith as a sixth grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Debbie Nobles from her position as fourth, fifth and sixth grade departmentalized teacher at Kinston School to a sixth

grade self-contained teacher at Kinston Elementary School;

• Transfer Dana Padgett from her position as preschool through sixth grade special education teacher at New Brockton Elementary School to preschool through sixth grade special education/sixth grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Patricia Campbell from her position as a full-time business education teacher at New Brockton High School to a part-time business education teacher at New Brockton High School;

• Employ Linda Williams as a seventh through 12th grade social studies teacher and electives with library duties at New

Brockton High School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Shannon D. Clark from his position as 10th and 11th grade U.S. history teacher at New Brockton High School to 11th grade U.S. history and 12th grade government and economics teacher at New Brockton High School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Lejune Davis, third grade teacher at Kinston School;

• Employ Carol Young as a

third grade teacher at Kinston School;

• Accept the voluntary transfer of Jim Hodge from his position as third grade teacher at Kinston School to kindergarten teacher at Kinston School;

• Employ Linda Williams as a

third grade teacher at Kinston School;

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EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS
With Ferrin Cox

Technology keeps marching on. However rather than folks around our office bragging about being on the cutting edge, we confess to barely hanging on! However last Friday morning our internet connection was switched from that marvel of yesterday called "dial-up" to a dish on top of the building. Where we once sat amazed (and bragged) at the fast 56k hook ups, it had become stone age stuff. The norm had become to apologize for being so behind. Now Alabew is coming on with "Wild Blue" which allows us to keep the same widely publicized e-mail addresses, etc. but do all our work on the web fast, fast, fast. No longer can we work a crossword, go to lunch, the post office, get a snack across the street, etc. with the excuse that our computer is tied up sending or receiving a large file. Now one can hold their breath while a single one of the megabyte plus files goes up in the southern sky and comes back down 30 to 2,000 miles away. This is reportedly the first installation of Wild Blue in the Elba area, but if it continues to work so perfectly, others can probably sign on by next month. Another plus for us is our fax line (once shared with the computers) can go back to always being available for sending or receiving a fax. The need for an additional phone line was staring our office in the face before this move.

It is almost impossible to accept the fact that number one granddaughter has turned five, but it is true, her birthday was celebrated last Saturday afternoon. The invitations suggested bathing suits and flip flops, but granddaddy opted to sit and watch with occasional trips back into the house, the air conditioner, sofa and the occasional glass of cold, cold tea. She is still grand and the only thing which might adjust her position is that high perch she controls is the fact of now sharing it with a two year old brother... who is equally grand.

Reports continue to come out of Montgomery that the Alabama Legislature will be in special session during the last week of June. Now the governor, who has the final say on such matters, hasn't commented either way. Recently rubbing elbows with many of the movers and shakers in that arena, we got widely varying opinions on the potential success of the General Fund budget in such a session. In fact there is one opinion, shared by many, that it will take TWO sessions to solve the problem. The first will only serve to iron out a few of the many issues which caused the problem in the first place - namely "who is going to be in charge?", the second one will be for the General Fund Budget. Senator Lowell Barron, a Democrat, the spot, by virtue of strong support from his fellow party members. That support seems to be crumbling but not yet enough to topple him from the throne. However it is enough to completely confuse the state senate when Republicans and disenchanted Democrats are joined by others with a special interest they think might be better served with a leadership change. It is always interesting to watch.

The capstone event of boot

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, June 13, 2005, investigated the following incidents: one leaving the scene of an accident, one criminal trespassing, one criminal mischief, two for theft of property, one forgery, one promoting contraband, two for domestic violence, one vehicle accident, one found note, one assault and one dogs large.

The following arrests were made: two for harassment and one for promoting contraband.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: one for not wearing a seat belt, one for running a stop sign, one for loud music, and one for a revoked driver's license.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

MONDAY, JUNE 13 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 339 Branson Circle (12:04 a.m.); River stage - 8.96 feet (7:00 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1950 Carver Dr. (7:21 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 930 First Baptist Church (10:30 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported at 1622 Studebaker (9:54 p.m.).

TUESDAY, JUNE 14 - Minor

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15 - River stage - 8.97 feet (6:11 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 423 County Rd. 307 (12:00 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to the scene of an accident in County Rd. 110 (2:03 p.m.); Fight in progress reported at the corner of Jackson Ave. and Jones St. (9:43 p.m.); Report of a gun discharged at Mulberry Park (10:02 p.m.); Disturbance (crowd) reported at 630 Jackson Ave. (10:28 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JUNE 16 - River

stage - 8.57 feet (7:00 a.m.);

Domestic disturbance (noise) reported at 1622 Studebaker (9:54 p.m.).

FRIDAY, JUNE 17 - River

stage - 8.17 feet (7:00 a.m.);

Fight in progress (w/ weapons) reported at Mulberry Park (10:30 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported at 1615 Pine Circle (4:31 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 977 N. Clayton Ave. (10:42 p.m.).

CALL CRIMESTOPPERS @ 897-3881 TO REPORT A CRIME REMAIN ANONYMOUS

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SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY... The Elba Postal office joined others across the nation Saturday, May 14, in conducting its annual Carrier Food Drive. The local postal carriers asked residents to donate nonperishable foods for the drive to be donated to a local service organization. The Elba Office collected approximately 2,000 pounds of nonperishable food that was donated this year to the House of Ruth. Pictured above with the donated food items are: (back row, left to right) Tom Tindol, Bobby Baker, Estin Baker, Shelia Reeder, Dawn Kelley, Jeanette Donaldson and a representative from the House of Ruth; (front row, left to right) Clint Tindol, Melissa Beckworth and Cathy Carpenter.

Cupit completes U.S. Navy basic training

Navy Airman Apprentice, James K. Cupit, a 2004 graduate of New Brockton High School, New Brockton, Ala., recently completed U.S. Navy basic training and was meritocratically promoted to his current rank at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Cupit completed a series of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

The program will provide safety education to protect the Farmer and the First Responders. A meal will be served at the end of the program.

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A Salute To OLD GLORY

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Landmark Park to host Farmedic Training Session

A Farmedic Training Session will be held at Landmark Park on Saturday June 25, 2005. The session will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 12 noon. All Fire and Rescue members in the surrounding area are invited to attend.

The class will start inside Landmark Park auditorium. All members wishing to participate in the hands-on drill are encouraged to bring proper gear for an extrication exercise that will be held outside near the park's Agricultural Museum.

The Farmedic Training will assist Fire and Rescue departments in responding to farm accidents. The primary instructor for the class will be Brandon Moore. The contact person for the training is Bryan Harper. The training is sponsored by the Elba Fire Department.

Young Farmers: Any questions about the event contact Bryan Harper 714-5564 or 795-6316 or Landmark Park 794-3452.

The program will provide safety education to protect the Farmer and the First Responders. A meal will be served at the end of the program.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I just wanted to use this public forum to comment on the retirement of an educator. There are many who leave the ranks each year, but this year marks the end for one of the most special to have spent time in Coffee Creek. Michael Bryan is retiring after many years of service at Zion Chapel. There is no doubt that our campus is a much better place for her having been there, and a much worse for her being gone.

It must be a great feeling to know that you have touched so many lives in a positive way. From the classroom to yearbook editor to FBLA sponsor to senior class sponsor, she has played a big part in the education and growth of so many young people at Zion Chapel.

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Obituaries

SUSAN ALLIE CLARK

CHURCH & AREA NEWS

Basin Baptist Church' to hold patriotic celebration on Saturday, July 2nd

Basin Baptist Church will host a patriotic celebration at the church Saturday, July 2, beginning at 6 p.m.

Bluegrass gospel music will be provided by the Wilkerson Family. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the fun, food,

Nathan Carroll is pastor.

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SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 21:1-31

*****THINKING OF YOU, PRAYING FOR YOU:**

The Finn, Hammond, Wilkerson, Blackman and Sconiers Families; Lizzie Tyson, Diane Coleman, Kathy Luckett, Mark Calvin, Bettye Burks, Johnnie Ruth Belcher, Amanda Plain

*****JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:**

Samantha Williams - June 21, A.J. & Sara Stoudemire - June 24 (W.A.); Lucinda Carpenter - June 24; Juan Carpenter - June 24; Latonia Culver - June 25; James Starks, Sr. - June 25; Ethel Horstead - June 25; Camella Raybom - June 25; Amber Ellison - June 26; James Coleman - June 26

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Even. Worship.....5:30 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.

BAND BAPTIST CHURCH

Nathan Carroll, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Tom Senn, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH

Robert Davis, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Martha Bassett

Church Service.....9:00 a.m.

2nd & 4th Sundays.....9:00 a.m.

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays.....9:00 a.m.

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

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Church Service.....9:00 a.m.

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CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST

K. L. Hill, Minister

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

Morn. Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Mart Gray, Pastor

Sunday School.....9:00 a.m.

Follow-up Class.....9:00 a.m.

Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.

Wed. Night Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities.....6:00 p.m.

Newbia Baptist Church Vacation Bible School to begin on June 27

Newbia Baptist Church, located on Coffee County Road 330, will hold Vacation Bible School for all ages Monday, June 27, through Friday, July 1.

Gospel Singing will be held at Tarentum Community Center on Saturday June 25th

The Singing Dyess Family, from Opp, Ala. Heaven Scent of Bainbridge, Ga. and Messengers of Grace of Defuniak Springs, Fla. will be in concert Saturday, June 25, 2005 at Tarentum Community Center, located on Hwy 125 between Elba and Brundidge. The concert will start at 7 p.m. No admission charge. Refreshments sponsored by Mt. Olive Assembly of God Youth.

Lake City Quartet to be in concert at Elba Church of God on Sunday evening June 26th

Lake City Quartet will be singing at the Elba Church of God Sunday Evening June 26th at 6:00 p.m. This same Quartet was in concert here nine months ago anyone who likes held at the Rocky Head, Elba Church, Elba, Ala.

*****38TH ANNUAL YOUTH RALLY:**

The 38th Annual Youth Rally of the Mulberry Baptist District to be held at the Mulberry Education Building on Hwy 84, Elba on June 25, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning. The theme is Youth in Action - (Psalms 51:12) All youth bring Bible.

*****ANNUAL REVIVAL:**

Shady Grove African Methodist Episcopal Church in Elba there will be an Annual Revival, July 27 - July 1, 2005 at 7:15 p.m. nightly. Rev. Johnny Lawrence will be the Evangelist. All churches are welcome.

COUNTY 4th of July Celebration planned at Zion Chapel Baptist Church

Zion Chapel Baptist Church on Hwy 87 North will celebrate Independence Day on July 4th from 10am to 2pm. It's free and open to the entire community. Fun for children and adults includes plenty of food, live

music, games, contests, and fellowship.

There will be an informal jam session after the scheduled activities for anyone who would like to sing or play an instrument. Everyone is invited.

Whitewater Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School dates to be June 26-July 1

Whitewater Baptist Church of Elba will hold Vacation Bible School June 26 through July 1 from 5:30-8 p.m. Children ages 3 years through sixth grade are invited to attend.

Camp Ground Capers (pre-registration and kick off) will be held Saturday, June 25, from 10:11:30 a.m.

Family Night will be Friday, July 1, at 5:30 p.m.

VBS at New Life Baptist Assembly Church scheduled for June 26-29

Come on a road trip with us at Vacation Bible School at New Life Baptist Assembly, located just below Perry's Store.

Vacation Bible School will be held Sunday, June 26, through Wednesday, June 29. On

Sunday, June 26, VBS will be held from 5-7 p.m., and Monday, June 27, through Wednesday, June 29, VBS will be from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome. Hope to see you there!

Gospel Singing set at Taylor Hill Community Baptist Church

A Gospel Singing will be held at Taylor Hill Community Baptist Church on Saturday, June 25, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

The guest singing group will be the Wilkerson Family from Spring Hill, Ala. This church is

located on Coffee County Rd. 114 about one mile past Southland (Wayne Farms).

Everyone is invited to attend.

For more information call 894-5021 or 373-0569.

Elba Church of Christ Vacation Bible School date is June 25th

Vacation Bible School for

Elba Church of Christ is set for

Saturday, June 25 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. This is for children ages 3-12. The theme is Anchors

Away! A Passage to Jesus, a Voyage to Peace. For more information call the church office at 897-2057.

Vanderbilt Holiness Church to host Gospel Singing on Saturday, June 25th

There will be a Gospel Sing at

Vanderbilt Holiness Church on Saturday, June 25, 2005 at 6 p.m.

This event will be featuring the Wilkerson Family from

Spring Hill, Ala. This church is

located on Coffee County Rd. 114 about one mile past Southland (Wayne Farms).

Everyone is invited to attend.

For more information call 894-5021 or 373-0569.

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New Books at the Elba Public Library:

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 Buchanan, Edna - Shadows
 Evanovich, Janet - Eleven on Top
 Hosseini, Khaled - The Kite Runner
 Howard, Linda - Killing Time
 Kidd, Sue Monk - The Mermaid Chair
 King, Cassandra - Making Waves
 Lindsey, Johanna - Marriage Most Scandalous
 Rice, Luann - Summer of Roses
LARGE PRINT FICTION
 Barnett, Jill - Wild

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 Page, Katherine Hall - The Body in the Moonlight
 Steel, Danielle - Five Days in Paris
 Thomas, Jodi - A Texan's Luck
 Wiggs, Susan - The Firebrand
LARGE PRINT WESTERNS
 Brand, Max - Mountain Storms
 Cotton, Ralph - Dead Man's Canyon
 Gorman, Ed - The Sharpshooter
 Hogan, Ray - The Jenner Gun
 Nye, Nelson - The Last Chance Kid
 Patten, Lewis - Vengeance Rider

Thomas, Jodi - A Texan's Luck
 West, Joseph A. - Ralph Compton: Blood and Gold
 Wheeler, Richard S. - Trouble in Tombstone
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 Copeland, Lori - Marrying Walker McKay
 Holder, Mary Kate - Second Chance Mom
 Hunt, Diana - Heart Under Construction
 Martin, Gail Gaymer - Loving Feelings
NONFICTION
 Fantastic: The Life of Arnold Schwarzenegger
 Cline, Marguerite Thigpen - I've Been Thinking
 (Poetry)

Annual Water Quality Report • January - December 2004 NEW HOPE WATER SYSTEM, INC.

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We are pleased to present to you this year's Annual Water Quality Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

Water Sources: One groundwater well producing from the Clayton aquifer, and purchased water from Pike County Water Authority (6 wells producing from the Tuscaloosa and Ripleys aquifers)

Water Treatment: Chlorination

Storage Capacity: One tank with a total capacity of 100,000 gallons

Number of Customers: Approximately 500

Board Members: Larry Eagerton, President; Lon Jones, Vice President; Vincent Ziglar, Member; Chad Fuller, Member

Operator: Mack King, Certified Operator

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT

In compliance with the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM), **New Hope Water System, Inc.**, has developed a Source Water Assessment plan that will assist in protecting our water sources. This plan provides additional information such as potential sources of contamination. It includes a susceptibility analysis, which classifies potential contaminants as high, moderate, or non-susceptible (low) to contaminating the water source. Of the 9 potential contaminants listed in our study area, only one was considered highly susceptible. The rest were rated low, or non-susceptible. The assessment has been performed, public notification has been completed, and the plan has been approved by ADEM. This plan is available in our office for review, or you may call the Secretary-Treasurer at 334-735-2287.

At New Hope Water System, we work around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. Please help us make this effort worthwhile by protecting our water sources, which are the heart of our community; our way of life and our children's futures. You can help by disposing of waste in the proper manner and reporting someone else who might not be doing so. Carefully follow instructions on pesticides and herbicides you use for your lawn garden, and properly dispose of household chemicals, paints and waste oil.

QUESTIONS? If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Larry Eagerton at 334-393-0452 or Charlotte Eagerton at 334-735-2287. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the first Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the New Hope Baptist Church fellowship hall.

Thank you for allowing us to continue providing you family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. These improvements are sometimes reflected as rate structure adjustments. Thank you for understanding.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and radioactive material, and it can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

• Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

• Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

• Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, storm water runoff, and residential uses.

• Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

• Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily pose a health risk. MCLs, defined in the table at the end of this report, are set a very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated constituents, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water.

Maximum Contaminant Level - (mandatory language) The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - (mandatory language) The Goal (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Coliform Absent (ca) - Laboratory analysis indicates that the contaminant is not present.

DEFINITIONS

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

Non-Defects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

Not Required (NR) - laboratory analysis not required due to waiver granted by the Environmental Protection Agency for the State of Alabama.

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (microgram/l) - corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.

Parts per quadrillion (ppq) or Picograms per liter (picogram/l) - corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Millirads per year (mrem/yr) - measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

Variences & Exemptions (V&E) - State of EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Treatment Technique (TT) - (mandatory language) A treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

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Constituents Monitored	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit	Measurement MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants	NO	6.00	ppb	6	6	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics, electronics; solder
Lead/Copper	NO	2.00	ppb	2.00	2.00	
Organic Chemical Contaminants	NO	0.13	ppm	0.13	0.13	
Nitrates	NO	0.00	ppm	0.00	0.00	
Radionuclides	NO	0.00	ppm	0.00	0.00	
Synthetic Organic Contaminants (including herbicides and pesticides)	NO	1.00	ppb	1.00	1.00	
Volatile Organic Contaminants	NO	0.00	ppb	0.00	0.00	
Disinfection By products	NO	0.00	ppb	0.00	0.00	

TABLE OF DETECTED DRINKING WATER CONTAMINANTS						
Contaminants	Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Unit	Measurement MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Arsenic	NO	6.00	ppb	6	6	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
		Range 2.00-6.00	(ppb)			
Barium	NO	0.13	ppm	0.13	0.13	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
		Range ND-0.13	(ppb)			
Chromium	NO	1.00	ppb	1.00	1.00	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
		Range ND-1.00	(ppb)			
Copper	NO	0.00	ppm	1.3	1.3	Erosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
		Range 0.00-0.00	(ppb)			
Fluoride	NO	2.03	ppm	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which provides cavity protection; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
		Range 0.20-2.03	(ppb)			
Nitrate (as Nitrogen)	NO	0.07	ppm	10	10	Prunoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; sewage; erosion of natural deposits
		Range ND-0.07	(ppb)			
THM (Total Trihalomethanes)	NO	6.00	ppb	0	80	By product of drinking water chlorination
		Range ND-6.00	(ppb)			
HAAs (Total haloacetic acids)	NO	8.39	ppb	0	60	By-product of drinking water chlorination
		Range ND-8.39	(ppb)			
Unregulated Contaminants	NO	Avg. 0.40	ppb	n/a	n/a	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
		Range 0.00-0.57	(ppb)			
Bromodichloromethane	NO	Avg. 0.20	ppb	n/a	n/a	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
		Range ND-0.75	(ppb)			
Bromomethane	NO	Avg. 0.15	ppb	n/a	n/a	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
		Range ND-0.55	(ppb)			
Secondary Contaminants	NO	Avg. 0.02	ppm	n/a	0.2	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
		Range ND-0.04	(ppb)			
Chloroform	NO	Avg. 0.19	ppm	250	250	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
		Range 0.12-0.25	(ppb)			
Iron	NO	Avg. 0.18	ppm	n/a	0.3	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
		Range 0.04-0.20	(ppb)			
Manganese	NO	Avg. 0.04	ppm	n/a	0.05	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
		Range ND-0.07	(ppb)			
Sulfate	NO	Avg. 2.11	ppm	n/a	250	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
		Range ND-8.44	(ppb)			
Total Dissolved Solids	NO	Avg. 227	ppm	n/a	500	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
		Range ND-227	(ppb)			
Zinc	NO	Avg. 0.01	ppm	n/a	5	Naturally occurring in the environment or as a result of industrial discharge or agricultural runoff
		Range ND-0.02	(ppb)			

* 90th percentile = 0.078 ppm and # of sites above action level (1 ppm) = 0

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Killebrew named to Atlanta Fed advisory council

The Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta has appointed six new members to the Bank's Small Business, Agriculture and Labor Advisory Council, according to Jack Guynn, president and chief executive officer of the Atlanta Fed. Representing the Alabama Region is Lester Howard Killebrew.

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COMMUNITY NEWS



YARD WORK ANYONE...Several employees of the Elba Postal office spent a recent Wednesday afternoon working as landscape gardeners. The employees planted flowers and shrubs around the building creating a more attractive overall look to the area. The employees caught "digging in the dirt" included (from left) Jackie Stinson, Melissa Beckworth and Sheila Reeder. Also volunteering his time was Shelby Stevens.

Governor promotes effort to send troops "book of thanks" from Alabama children

Alabama troops deployed overseas will be receiving a book containing letters of thanks and patriotic artwork from Alabama school children through a new effort announced by Governor Bob Riley.

**WORSHIP
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The book, God Bless Y'all All: Letters to Soldiers from the Children of Alabama, will be sent to our military personnel thanks to a partnership between Operation Grateful Heart and the Alabama Veterans of Foreign Wars.

"This book will serve as a great encouragement to our men and women in uniform as they bravely defend our nation," Governor Riley said.

The book is the idea of two Lauderdale County educators, Dr. Lisa Moses and Dr. Alice Yeager. They petitioned every school system in the state to participate in a program to help children express themselves in the wake of the September 11th terrorist attacks and the resulting War on Terror. They received more than 3,000 letters and pieces of original art

work from Alabama students in kindergarten through 12th grade.

The letters, some serious and some humorous, appear in the book exactly as they were written by children, complete with spelling and grammatical errors to preserve the integrity of the messages.

"When all y'all get back

"I'll bet you will want to take off those uniforms," one student wrote.

"I bet you will want to get home and lay down and take a very long nap."

Another student drew two pictures, one a scene from a battlefield and the other showing children playing on a playground, with the inscription "Because you are there, we are here."

You make me proud to be an American. I know you are always there ready to stand up

for freedom. If it were not for people like you, I would not feel safe about my freedom and rights," another student wrote in a letter published in the book.

The Alabama Veterans of Foreign Wars is taking donations to purchase the books and will donate them to Operation Grateful Heart, which will oversee their packaging and mailing to Alabama service personnel overseas.

Alabamians wishing to contribute to the purchase of the books can contact the Alabama VFW in Montgomery at 334-270-8399 or send donations to the Alabama VFW Children's Book Project, 1231 Carthage Way, Montgomery, AL 36106.

Military service men and their families needing assistance from Operation Grateful Heart can call toll-free 606-452-4944.



MRS. MINNIE P. FLOWERS, age 94, gets regular visits at the Elba Nursing Home from her son, Carroll. Monday morning was a great day for the two to go for a ride and visit some favorite haunts and relive fond family memories.

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by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The next step in the Dorsey Trailer Inc. bankruptcy story includes a sealed bid effort to sell the company real estate, inventories, equipment, fixtures and intellectual property. Bids for this sale effort are due in to the Dorsey Trailer office in Elba by 5 p.m. on July 6th. The bids will then be opened by company attorneys at 9 a.m. on Friday, July 8th.

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one-on-one interview that they have had several "qualified" parties expressing interest in bidding on one of the four segments: equipment, real estate, inventory or intellectual property (name, domain, etc.). One potential buyer visited Tuesday morning (along with his banker) and two others are expected later in the week. Each appear to be serious qualified contenders for purchase of the entire facility, Sheetz said.

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Dr. Joel Cline, director of the Bryan Taylor Diagnostic Lab, 203 Bypass, Elba, is shown with the state-of-the-art waste digester being installed in the Elba lab's new, modern facility now under construction.

His hand is resting on the "cooker" while the green cylinder behind him is the boiler. This computer controlled equipment, which costs an estimated \$700,000 installed, can safely dispose of 1500 lbs. of

dead animal carcass every six hours, according to Cline. It is one of the first such disposal units installed in the southern part of the U.S. The only other known installation is the South is at the University of Florida. There is a second Alabama installation planned for the new lab now under construction at Auburn University. The new Elba facility is scheduled to be completed sometime in August and will allow the staff to work in a better, safer environment, as well as have an increased capacity to examine animals or chickens quickly and accurately diagnose problems. The various work stations were designed to minimize the chance of spreading any germs exposed during examination of diseased carcasses brought in by farmers. It is also designed to minimize casual spread of germs by visitors who, in the present lab, can accidentally step where diseased animal carcasses have been lying.

Also attached to this facility is a conference room, furnished with equipment to allow teleconferencing with specialists and others around the world. It will be available to the public for such events. This later part of the building will have a separate entrance, separate bathrooms and kitchenette, plus a separate heating and cooling system, again designed to prevent accidental spread of infectious germs.

Area Happenings

Elba City Council gets update on municipal projects

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council met briefly Monday evening. The only motion was to approve the minutes of the last meeting.

However, the group did get

updates on several matters.

Police Chief Freddy Hanchey

reported that he expected to

have the vacant patrolmen slots

filled within a couple of weeks.

Commissioner Jim Thompson

reported that efforts to

buy a new police vehicle

off the state bid list has not

been successful.

No action is expected on

this matter until at least August.

City Clerk Wayne Granahan

reported that trash pick-up is

getting back to normal and the city

will still be running two pick-up

vehicles for the next couple of weeks.

Mayor James Grimes reported

on a recent meeting concern-

ing remodeling of the proposed municipal court building. This is the former U. S. Post Office facility which was donated to the City of Elba by the previous (out of town) owners.

Grimes explained that the

resilied in some recommended

changes to the remodeling

drawings. He said input from

several others was being utilized

in an effort to get a good, work-

able municipal court facility.

Grimes said for a number of

years utilized the Coffee County

District Court system for all its

cases. Initial plans call for

the city to restructure the City Court,

with a municipal judge, etc., in

an effort to save money for the

city.

No definite time table has

been established for this move.